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SUBJECT:TARIFF ON SPRINKLERS: NELSON IRRIGATION CORP.

REFS: (A) CANBERRA 788, (B) CANBERRA 1486

1. DEPARTMENT PASSED SUBSTANCE OF REFTELS TO CONGRESSMAN
FOLEY, WHO REPLIED AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE AS I UNDERSTAND IT,
PART OF THE NELSON COMPLAINT REGARDING THE SITUATION IN
AUSTRALIA IS THAT AT LEAST ONE FIRM, IN EFFECT, COPIED THE
NELSON SPRINKLER. I WOULD APPRECIATE THE EMBASSY'S OPINION
WHETHER THE AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURED SPRINKLERS WERE COMPE-
TITIVE IN TERMS OF PRICE WITH THE NELSON MANUFACTURED
SPRINKLERS PRIOR TO THE REVOCATION OF NELSON'S DUTY FREE
ELIGIBILITY. I WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE IT IF THE EMBASSY
COULD REPORT AS TO WHETHER SIMILAR ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN
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AGAINST OTHER AMERICAN FIRMS, PARTICULARLY THOSE DEALING
WITH AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT. END QUOTE.

2. CONGRESSMAN FOLEY HAS ALSO ASKED FOR INFORMATION WHICH
DEPARTMENT WILL SUPPLY, ON US-AUSTRALIAN TRADE IN AGRI-
CULTURAL COMMODITIES AND IN AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY, AND ON
CURRENT US-AUSTRALIAN NEGOTIATIONS ON AGRICULTURAL TRADE

ISSUES.

3. US REQUESTED TARIFF CONCESSION OF AUSTRALIA ON THIS
ITEM (84.21.6 IN AUSTRALIAN SCHEDULE) IN MTN. AUSTRALIA
HAS NOT YET RESPONDED.

4. PLEASE ADVISE WHEN REPORT REQUESTED IN PARA 1 WILL
BE AVAILABLE, AND REPORT ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS OR
AVENUES OF OPPORTUNITY YOU CONSIDER OPEN TO USG AND/ OR
NELSON IRRIGATION CORPORATION TO SECURE RESTORATION OF
DUTY-FREE TREATMENT. VANCE

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